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	RELATED NCCHC/ACA STANDARDS: P-G-09 (IMPORTANT)	
CHAPTER: 11 HEALTH SERVICES	SUBJECT: PROCEDURE IN THE EVENT OF SEXUAL ASSAULT	
APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER:		
EFFECTIVE DATE: 11-19-07		

PURPOSE:

To provide medical and psychological intervention for sexual assault victims.

POLICY:

1. Site Health Services staff follows the specific institution's written plan for responding to allegations of sexual assault of inmates. The plans are consistent with DOC policies: 8.33, 8.35, 8.38, 3.6, 4.2, 8.12, 8.29, 8.30, 8.31 and 9.17.
2. Emergency medical treatment is provided by the on-site medical staff as needed. The inmate/victim is transported to an Emergency Department for treatment and gathering of evidence. Medical Policy E-08 will be followed for transport to Emergency Department.
3. The mental health staff conducts a mental health evaluation of an inmate/victim of sexual assault addressing any tendency towards suicidality.
4. All healthcare staff interacts with the inmate in a neutral and non-judgmental manner. The healthcare staff solicits no details of the assault, as per Medical Policy E-08.
5. The site Medical Director reviews the treatment recommendations from Emergency Department for indicated treatment and testing.
6. Recommendations for separate housing are considered for the safety of the inmate and recommendations made to security.
7. Medical staff does not collect medical information or evidence from alleged perpetrator.

References:

National Commission on Correctional Health Care: Standards for Health Services in Jails, 2003, J-G-09